The News.

The river coal miners' strike at Pittsburgh is spreading, and the miners expect that in a few days every mine on the river will be closed.

After an investigation of the recent Chinese outrage in Wyoming, it is thought the Government of China will take action upon the matter.

Jim and "Pink" Lee, the notorious Texas desperadoes, said to have killed forty persons within two years, have had their careers ended. Nobody will regret it.

Lieut. George M. Storey, commanding the expedition to Alaska, reports that he is well fitted out for the winter, and everything looks bright ahead.

A patent was issued at Washington for an apparatus consisting of a system of springs, to run sewing machines, entirely doing away with the treadle. The motive power is produced by simply bearing the foot on a rest.

The shortage in the school fund of West Virginia is $80,000, in consequence of which a number of schools have shortened their terms while in some counties a special tax has been levied to meet the deficiency.

A wagon load of dynamite recently exploded near Lakefield, Ont. Two men, Morgan and Mills, of Tweed, and the team of horses were blown to pieces. The shock was felt for miles around the surrounding country.

A number of Southerners recently met at Chicago, and formally organized an ex-Confederate association. One of the objects of the association is the "obliteration of all predjudices that may still linger between the North and South."

Mr. Blaine is reported busily engaged on his second volume of "Twenty Years in Congress." He has about three week's writing to do yet to finish it. It is said that Mr. B. is in excellent health—better than he has been for years,

Baking Powder Tramps.

The danger to the public health from the indiscriminate use of the many lime and alum baking powders of commerce has been so fully exposed that everybody desires to avoid them. As "forewarned is forearmed" housekeepers will thank us for apprising them of the special efforts at present being made to dispose of such powders in this vicinity.

The proprietors of some of the worst of these powders are now going from house to house, trying by means of a trick, or so-called test, with heat and water, to show that their article is as good as the Royal Baking Powder, making the comparison with this brand because everybody recognizes it to be pure and wholesome, the object, of course, being to supply their own article instead of the Royal, which housekeepers have for so many years relied on to puff up the morning biscuit, and to make the light, palatable and wholesome roll, cake and pastry for which it is famous.

The housekeeper will do well to be on her guard against these baking powder tramps. Any intelligent person knows that any goods peddled from house to house in this manner, or given away in samples, or sought to be introduced by secretely traducing the character of goods well known to be pure and reliable, have no merits of their own, and have failed to find purchasers through legitimate means.

We are informed, as a matter of fact, that one of these tramps has been trying to introduce a powder that has been found by the Government Chemist to be 11.85 per cent. lime, while the other peddles a powder which is 20 per cent. alum—one a powerful caustic, the other a corrosive poison.

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Major Aaron Stafford, the last surviving officer of the War of 1812, died at his home at Waterville, Oneida Co., N. Y., on the 6th inst., in the 90th year of his age.

Over four thousand people attended the reunion of the pioneers of Seneca, Wyandot, and Crawford Counties, at Melmore, Ohio. Ex-Governor Foster and General W. H. Gibson delivered addresses.

Michael Wagner died at New Riegot, O., on the 10th inst., aged 102 years. On the 9th instant, Christian Cooper, of Livingston, N. Y., died at the age of 111 years, 10 months, and 15 days, in the full possession of his mental faculties.

A novel shipment has recently been made at San Fransisco for across the continent, consisting of seventeen carloads of whalebone aggregating 176,000 pounds. It is the product of the season's catch of a couple of whalers north of Behering Strait, and is consigned to New York dealers.

Remnants of a number of letters were received at the Dead Letter office in Washington lately, with the following letter from the Postmaster: "The inclosed package of letters came into my office from Hackleman, Ind,, with enough of other stuff made from the cuttings of papers to make a rat's nest, in which was a litter of six young rats, all alive aud without a mother. They are now perishing in this office."

The Canadian authorities are moving toward the purchase of the land adjoining Niagara Falls on their side of the River, and dedicating them as a public Park, as the State of New York has done on the American side. A commission has lately visited Niagara to ascertain the exact condition of affairs there, and report to the Government of Ontario. It may now be expected that the lands on the Canadian shore will ere long be free to the public as those on our shore already are.

An ingenious mode of smuggling was discovered by custom officials at Hull, England, recently. While some supposed heavy beams of timber were being unloaded by means of a crane, one beam struck the quay with enough force to split it open, thus showing that it had been hollowed out and the space filled with tobacco and cigars. A custom officer being on hand at the time immediately siezed the cargo and placed the crew under arrest.

The Second Annual St. Louis Exposition was opened on the evening of the 10th inst. Within an hour after opening twenty thousand people thronged the great building, The Exposition is said to be unusually fine, and, contrary to the usual customs of such expositions, nearly every exhibit is in perfect order and ready for inspection. The exhibition of last year was a great success, but this it superior. It will close on the 24th of October.

For want of sufficient wind the international yacht race, did not come off, although on Friday the two competing vessels, the *Genesta* and the *Puritan*, made the attempt. It was impossible, however, to go over the course and return in the seven hours to which the yachts were limited. On Monday of last week the wind was more favorable and the *Puritan* defeated her competitor. The start was made at 10:32 A. M. The *Puritan* reached the starting point on the homeward journey at h4. 38.05 and the *Genesta* at h4.54.52

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Literary Notes.

The October number of the *North American Review* contains twenty-three Articles by as many different contributors—among whom are an English Cardinal, an Ameriean Admiral, two American Major-Generals, two American ex-Ministers to European Courts, an American Artist, an N. Y. Assemblyman, an ex-United States Senator, the Mayor of New York, an ex-Governor of New York, two distinguished American Men of Letters, and a famous Financier—Manning, Ammen, Ben. Butler, Fitz John Porter, Elihu B. Washburne, Wm. Waldorf Astor, (his first appearance in literature), J. B. Eustis, of Louisiana, Wm. R. Grace, of New York, Theodore Roosevelt, Horatio Seymour, E. P. Whipple, Charles T. Congdon, Dorman B. Eaton, and some others less known. There is also a very characteristic letter from General Grant to his father, written from Milliken's Bend, just two days before he started in the Vicksburgh Campaign. It is contributed by Col. Fred. Grant.

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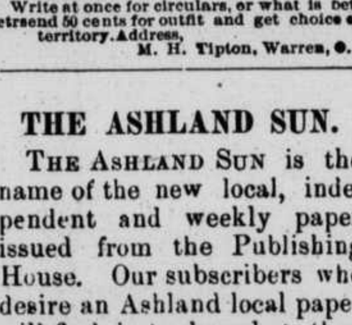

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